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IHS Cancer Support Group Leadership training

The IHS Epidemiology Program through a contract with the People Living Through Cancer (PLTC) organization continues to sponsor training for American Indian and Alaska Native people interested in starting cancer support groups in their own communities. The 4½-day training format includes lecture/discussion, simulation, and education materials. The ideal support group leader is a cancer survivor, a family member, or a close friend who has shared the cancer experience.

The first training was held in January 1995 and our most recent training, in June 2005, marked the end of our sixteenth training. Over 150 people have been trained and at least half of these trainees have gone back to offer some form of cancer support in their own communities.

The next training is tentatively scheduled for February 6 – 10, 2006. Our program does provide reimbursement for travel, tuition, and expenses for a limited number of people. For more info, please contact Roberta Paisano by phone: 505-248-4132 or e-mail: roberta.paisano@ihs.gov. For an application, please contact Deborah Openden at the PLTC organization, phone: 505-242-3263.



Attendees at first training, January 1995.



Attendees at June 2000 training.



Attendees at August 2002 training.



Lunchtime at the January 2003 training.

Call 505-248-4132 for info on the next available training.....